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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated June 9, 2009.

As a preliminary matter, Applicants traverse the Restriction Requirement as being ambiguous and incomplete. The Examiner identifies claims 1-47 and 123 as pending in the application, but requires restriction only as among claims 14-26. The Examiner does not identify any claims as being generic.

Applicants assume that the Examiner intended to consider claims 1-13, 27-47 and 123 as being generic. Further, Applicants note that the claims in each of the identified groups I-IV depend from claim 5. Thus, Applicants assume that the Examiner intended the four groups to represent separate species, and that claim 5 is acknowledged to be generic to these four species.

Given these assumptions, in response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicant elects Group IV, claims 17-26 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants assume that claims 1-13, 17-47 and 123 are under examination. Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 14-16. However, to the extent that claim 5 or another claim generic to claims 14-16 are found patentable, rejoinder is respectfully requested.

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